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Requirement for East German Information on the Electron Tube Industry
 of Communist China.

REF : 25X1A2g
 Requirement dated 28 June 55, same subject (attached).
 [redacted]
 4 Dec 56, para. 2.
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Background:

1. The Peking State Electron Tube Manufacturing Factory commenced operations in the vicinity of Peking during October 1956. It is believed that primary responsibility for this new expansion was assigned to the USSR electron tube industry, but that the East German industry participated. 25X1A2g 25X9A5

2. Report [redacted] states that [redacted] East Berlin, was scheduled to visit China in the near future, to discuss this project.

3. Information on the current status and future plans for this Peking Electron Tube Plant, as well as for other facility expansions of the SMC electronics project near Peking, is required to fill priority intelligence gaps of the KIC Subcommittee on Electronics and Telecommunications, and in support of ORR Project 36.1556.

Requirements: (Confidential)

As available from information obtained by the East German tube industry:

1. Provide details on location, size, and quantity of tube machinery installed, for the Peking State Electron Tube Factory.
2. Estimated overall capital cost of this expansion.
3. Report current status of production, including types and quantities of tubes.
4. Report planned production and employment for 1957 and 1960.

Degree of need: Urgent

Target Date: 1 May 1957

Suggested Sources: Air. ID. USAFE, 7050th AISW.

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